

EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
March 17, 1987

The seventh regular meeting of the Faculty Senate for the academic year 1986-87 was held on Tuesday, March 17, 1987, in Mendenhall Student Center, Room 244.

Members absent were: Chamness (Allied Health), Cunningham (Medicine), Davis (Technology), Dudek (Medicine), Jones (English), Keeter (Technology), Laupus (Medicine), Meyer (Student Life), and Smith (Faculty Assembly). Alternates present were: McAlister for Deters (Counseling Center) and Moskop for Duckett (Medicine).

Agenda Item I. Call to Order

Chair Ken Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

Agenda Item II. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of February 24, 1987, were approved with a correction on page 4 to indicate that Ryan is from the Biology Department rather than Geology.

Agenda Item III. Order of the Day

B. Announcements

1. The Office of Institutional Research will conduct the Administrator-Staff Evaluation Survey March 23-31, 1987. The following have been designated for evaluation by the appropriate faculty: the Deans of Arts and Sciences, Allied Health Sciences, Social Work, Art, Business, Education, General College, Home Economics, Medicine, Music, Nursing, Technology; Director of the Division of Continuing Education; and Director of Academic Library Services; and Department Chairpersons in the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Allied Health Sciences, the School of Business, the School of Education, the School of Home Economics, the School of Technology; as well as the Director of the Institute for Coastal and Marine Resources and the Director of Cooperative Education. All teacher education faculty will evaluate the Director of Teacher Education. Additionally, members of the graduate faculty may evaluate the Dean of the Graduate School, and all Deans may evaluate the Director of the Division of Continuing Education, Director of Academic Library Services, Coordinator of Summer School, Director of Admissions, and the Registrar. The Vice Chancellor for Student Life has designated department heads in that Division for evaluation.
2. The Unit Annual Report Form is due May 25, 1987.
3. In your folder you will find a copy of the Unit Code Screening Committee Guidelines for Reviewing and Revising Unit Codes.
4. See Attachment 1 for a current Clarification and Amplification of the term "Voting Faculty" found in the Faculty Manual, Appendix L.
5. A Steering Committee has been formed for the Board of Governor's Teacher Education Mandates. The following will serve as members of the Committee: Dr. Coble, Co-Chair, (Education), Dr. Ryan, Co-Chair, (Arts & Sciences), Dr. Calhoun (Technology), Dr. Levine (Art), Dr. Stevens (Music). The Senate has been assured that all curriculum changes will go through the normal Committees and processes on the ECU campus prior to implementation.

C. Dr. Richard Eakin, Chancellor

Chancellor Eakin expressed delight in being able to address the Faculty Senate so early in his tenure. He asked for the faculty's patience in getting to know everyone and being able to recognize faces and call individuals by name.

Over the next few weeks and months, he plans to visit each department and administrative unit of the University in order to get a feel for the campus and its people as well as the aspirations and needs of the University. Committee meetings will be attended in order to learn more about the sentiments of the faculty.

Since coming to Greenville, Chancellor Eakin has been traveling around the state and local area meeting with groups such as the Pirate Club, ECU Today, Chancellor's Society, alumni, and various friends of the University. In these groups a good base of support has been found for the continuing growth of ECU. The Chancellor commented that there were 284 in attendance at the Chancellor's Society meeting and it appears that this group is growing and that it supports the programs of the University.

An apology was made for the long line at the entrance to the Faculty/Staff Reception. Chancellor Eakin enjoyed speaking to each Faculty and Staff member individually and this caused a delay in the receiving line.

Chancellor Eakin explained that at Bowling Green there was a strong history of shared governance and that he is delighted that this University operates under the same policy. He feels that this is where strength lies and that the administration and faculty should set common goals and work together to achieve those goals.

Resolutions #87-4, 5, 6, and 7, which were approved at the February 24, 1987, Faculty Senate meeting were approved by the Chancellor. He commended the Calendar Committee on its preparation of the Calendar and the Revised Guidelines.

Concern was expressed by Chancellor Eakin regarding the Drug Prevention and Education Policy discussed at the recent Board of Governors meeting in Chapel Hill. He explained that this policy was born out of concern since the Financial Aid Program requires that such a policy be implemented for students, faculty and staff. This is something that we have to deal with and we must develop a policy that is in conformance with the requirements of the Financial Aid Program. The Board of Governors is hoping to provide guidance in this endeavor. We will need to work together rapidly to meet the requirements by the end of this fiscal year. In meeting these requirements, we must remain consistent with the objectives and standards of what a University is all about. Developing and implementing this policy will require our best attention.

Chancellor Eakin announced that on March 26, 1987, he will appear before the Joint-Based Budget Committee of the N. C. Legislature and will be making a statement regarding ECU's budget. He expressed a desire to work for the betterment of not only ECU but the UNC System as a whole.

In closing, the Chancellor again expressed delight in being a part of ECU and stated that he looks forward to working with the Faculty Senate.

D. Approval of the Graduation List

Chair Ken Wilson announced that the Graduation List contains 2,137 Undergraduates (899 male, 1238 female) and 737 Graduates (247 male, 490 female) who will receive degrees. Emily Boyce (Faculty Assembly) moved acceptance of the Graduation List. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote. (Resolution #87-8)

IV. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

V. Report of Committees

A. Curriculum Committee

Bill Grossnickle (Psychology), Chair, directed the Senators to the Curriculum Minutes of February 12 and 26, 1987, and the degree changes listed on the Senate Agenda. The report passed with one dissenting vote from Foreign Languages and Literatures. (Resolution #87-9)

B. Faculty Computer Report

Richard Kerns (Business), Chair, reported that the Faculty Computer Committee has recently approved the removal of the last student keypunch machine. He indicated that there are no longer any key punch machines used in the academic area and that this is a definite sign of progress.

The Computer Committee has been reviewing all requisitions for computer purchases. However, these requisitions have increased to such degree that the approval process has become too much for the Committee to handle. He felt that this should be reviewed by ISAC.

Morrison (Chemistry) expressed a concern that small computer items (\$300-400) have to go through the Computer Committee for approval. This slows down the process and makes acquisition time more lengthy. Kerns agreed, stating that he tries to move as quickly as possible. Sometimes a blanket approval is available in regard to labs, etc. Rapid technological changes sometime make it hard to move fast. Nevertheless, the Faculty Computer Committee has been charged with monitoring and approving computer purchases. This will be brought up at the next ISAC meeting. A change is being considered to the automated purchasing form that would eliminate the need for the non-automated Information Processing Hardware or Software Form. This should expedite the matter somewhat.

CIS has begun a repair service which has proved to be quite an asset to the University not only in the area of maintenance repair cost but also because the amount of down-time has been greatly decreased.

A Faculty Computer Committee Handbook has been completed, and anyone interested in receiving a copy should contact the Faculty Senate Office. The User's Handbook should be available from the Computing Center in the near future. Preparation of the User's Handbook has been quite an undertaking due to all of the new systems.

ECU has received a gift of a Minicomputer from AT&T. This should be operational by Fall 1987. This minicomputer will allow 25 simultaneous users. It will be a part of the broadband network. The English Department has expressed an interest in using this computer due to the availability of Writer's Workbench. Bill Bloodworth (English) has appointed a Committee to study the feasibility of using the Minicomputer.

Faculty Computer Committee Report, Continued

Kerns announced that the company which manufactured the ERG (microcomputer) is no longer in existence. Therefore, maintenance for this computer will become a problem in the future.

Two emphases of CIS this year have been connecting administrative and academic users to the broadband network, and implementing SAS modules and other statistical packages.

Capabilities of the new IBM product PROFS (Professional Office System) were discussed. These include Electronic Mail Network and Calendar capabilities.

Plans for the next fiscal year include working on graphics at all levels.

Kerns commented that the minicomputer is trying to become more powerful, but not offering alot of new features. In microcomputers, Apple will be offering a couple of new machines with new possibilities. The Committee has learned that it cannot standardize the use of microcomputers. There will be many new features increasing the utility of microcomputers.

Chair Wilson noted tremendous progress and thanked the Committee for its efforts in the process.

VI. New Business

There being no new business, Kledaras (Social Work) moved adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

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Resolutions Approved:

- #87-8      Graduation List
- #87-9      Curriculum Committee Report